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Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action dated October 9, 2002, from January 9, 2003, to on or before February 10, 2003 (February 9, being a Sunday).

A check for the statutory fee of \$55.00 $^{1/2}$ is attached. Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 necessary to keep this application pending in the Patent and Trademark Office

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Applicants are entitled to small entity status as evidenced by the Small Entity Status Declaration filed September 19, 2001.

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or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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